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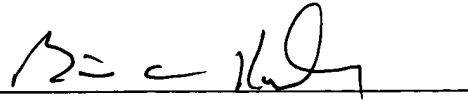
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Abstract:

**Problem to be Solved:** To facilitate user operating for copying or the like between different media when performing data processing by making plural media coexist.

**Solution:** The data processor stores a format conversion table. In the format conversion table, a format to be used at the time of transferring a data from a first medium to copy therefrom to a second medium to copy and write thereon is registered about each medium selectable as the second medium, and also convertibility information showing whether or not the format conversion necessary at the time of copying is executable about each combination of the first media to copy therefrom and the second media to copy thereon is recorded. When the first medium to copy, the first data to copy, and the second medium to copy thereon are specified by a user, this data processor refers to the above format conversion table (S18 S22), and executed copying between the two media while performing suitable format conversion as necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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	A1	5,806,075	09/08/1998	Jain et al.	707/201	01/14/1997
	A2	5,822,773	10/13/1998	Pritchard et al.	711/162	10/17/1996
	A3	5,937,415	08/10/1999	Sheffield et al.	707/204	12/11/1996
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	A7	6,321,239	11/20/2001	Shackelford	707/206	09/28/1998
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	A12	JP2002025182A	01/25/2002	Japan	G11B 20/10		
	A13	WO9848347A1	09/12/2000	PCT	G06F 12/00		
	A14	WO0217056A2	09/24/2002	PCT	G06F 12/02		

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	A15	F.A. Schwartz et al., "Method For Consistent Data Replication For Collection Management In A Dynamic Partially Connected Collection", IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin, Vol. 33 No. 5, October 1990, Pages 454-464

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